Animal Control Helpful Hints

- 1. All dogs and cats must be licensed in town even if they are house bound.
- 2. All dogs must be on leash when off the owner's property and wearing a collar with the town's license and active rabies tag.
- 3. No dogs are allowed on the Town Beach between Memorial Day and Labor Day.
- 4. Barking dog complaints should be sent to the Police Dispatch Center (401-437-3935).
 - If the ACO or a Police Officer witness the dog barking excessively a fine maybe be issued. The first fine is \$50, 2^{nd} fine \$75 and 3^{rd} fine \$100.
- 5. The fine for improper restraint (off the leash) for a dog is \$50.00. Repeat offenders will have their fine increased.
- 6. If you dog escapes from the house or yard, please call the Police Dispatch Center and give them your information.
- 7. Sightings of a coyote or any wildlife that may appear to be sick or injured should be reported to DEM 222-3070 and the Barrington Police Department 401-437-3935.
- 8. If there are any dead animal found please call Police Dispatch Center to report it.
- 9. Wild life animals like skunks, raccoons, squirrels and ground hog that cause a nuisance on your property must be handled by a private pest control company. We will respond to any calls of a sick or rabid animal on private property.

- 10. If you should have a bat in your house please call DEM and Barrington Police Dispatch Center to report it.
- 11. All dog & cat bits should be reported to the ACO.

I hope the following tips have been helpful to you. I can be reached at 401-437-3935 or email at pwatson@barrington.ri.gov

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